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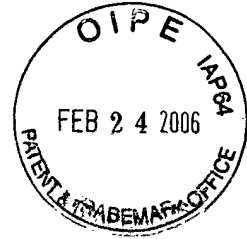
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Copies of the non-patent literature documents cited in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed. Citation of a reference in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not an admission that the reference is prior art to the present invention.

It is believed that no fee is due at this time to maintain the application in full force and effect, however if any such fee is due please charge this to Deposit Account No. 502099.

REMARKS

I. U.S. PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 5,291,416 to Hutchins discloses a system that automatically collects event data of a numerically controlled machine tool. The identity, data, and time of the actual occurrence of an event are stored in nonvolatile memory.

U.S. Patent No. 5,400,345 to Ryan, Jr. discloses a control mode responsive to a communications bus. The control node comprises test logic for testing the node. The node processes a first class of messages related to predetermined functions and a second class of messages comprising signals for instructing the test logic to test the node.

U.S. Patent No. 5,230,049 to Chang et al. discloses a pre-compiler for a programming language. A language dependent portion of the compiler translates supplemental language statements into a language independent format. A language independent portion translates the supplemental language statements in the language into lists of tasks.

II. FOREIGN PATENTS

No new foreign patent references.

III. NON-PATENT LITERATURE REFERENCES

Stewart, Schmitz and Khosla's "Implementing Real-Time Robotic Systems Using CHIMERA II", published in 1990, discloses a software system for a motion control system employing a layered hardware platform. The software system provides a communications layer and kernel that hide the complexities of specific communications and hardware implementations.

"Intelligent Real-Time Control of Robotic Vehicles", by Payton, published August 1991, ACM.; discloses the concept of Intelligent Real Time Controllers (IRTC) and discusses an example of IRTC in the context of an Adaptive Suspension Vehicle.

Blasvaer and Pirjanian's "An Autonomous Mobile Robot System", published June 8, 1994, discloses a mobile autonomous robot device using a distributed navigation system. Chapter 4 of this reference discloses a software architecture of the navigation system that uses event based communications. Chapter 6, section 7, of this reference discloses a motion executor adapted to operate in a hardware independent fashion.

Paidy and Reeve's "Software Architecture for a Cell Controller", published in 1991, discloses a software architecture for facilitating the integration of manufacturing elements of a computer integrated manufacturing system. The software system

comprises a number of software modules that handle order manipulation, scheduling, manufacturing, and support. A data acquisition system collects and stores data related to the manufacturing system.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully submits that these references, taken alone or in combination, neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing in relation to the pending application is respectfully requested. If there is any matter which could be expedited by consultation with the Applicant's attorney, such would be welcome. The Applicant's attorney can normally be reached at the telephone number below.

Signed at Bellingham, County of Whatcom, State of Washington, this 24th day of February, 2006.

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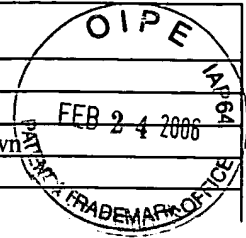
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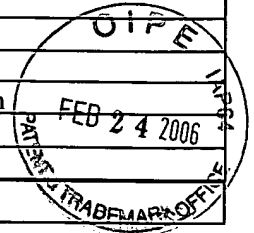
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